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Sir:

This is a request for filing a X continuation or ___ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No. <u>10/390,771</u> Filed on <u>March 19, 2003</u> Of Shiro Yamaoka et al.

Entitled: Control Apparatus And Control Method For Multi-Cylinder Engine

Examiner: Andrew Dollinar

Group: <u>3747</u>

- Accompanying this order is a new specification that does not contain any subject matter that would have been new matter in the prior application.
 Total pages of specification, claims and abstract: 46
- X 2. New Formal drawings are being filed herewith consisting of <u>7</u> sheet(s), depicting Figures <u>1-10</u>.
- X 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney:
 - a. _ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. \underline{X} Copy from prior application
 - i. __ Deletion of Inventors signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application
- X 4. Incorporation by Reference:

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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<u>X</u>	9.	The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #056209.52219C1).									
<u>X</u>	10.	Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/390,771, filed March 19, 2003									
<u>X</u>	11.	Priority of Appln. No(s). <u>2002-270634</u> , filed in <u>Japan</u> on <u>September 17, 2002</u> , is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.									
X	12.	A certified copy of each said priority document was filed in application Serial No. <u>10/390,771</u> on <u>March 19, 2003</u> .									
<u>X</u>	13.	The prior application is assigned of record to Hitachi, Ltd.									
<u>X</u>	14.	The power of attorney in the prior application is to:									

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- X a. The power appears in the original application papers in the prior application.
- b. Since the power does not appear in the original application papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. Attached is a duplicate of a Supplemental Declaration which was filed in the prior application to overcome informalities.
- X d. Address all future correspondence to:

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- _____ 15. Copies of Forms PTO-892 and PTO-1449 listing prior art made of record in the prior application are attached. A copy of each of the listed references should be available in the prior application file.
- X 16. Return Receipt Postcard.
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Respectfully submitted,

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